

Natalie
dared me
to give you
her love.
Answer in
a joke

Tuesday 6 P.M.
February 11th. 96

My Own Darling,
Your Saturday &
Sunday letters reached
me this afternoon, when
I returned from "Submission".
I am so glad Elsie confided
in you, and that you had
that frank open talk.

I so want you brothers to
have full and perfect
confidences in each other.
How bright your letter was,
my darling, you made me
see things so clearly, the
evil to the old people, &

the Sunday evening
supper, and dear Elsie
to say the blessing.

Mr. Chapman wishes
me to sing at the Apollo
concerts, either the next
one or the one after.

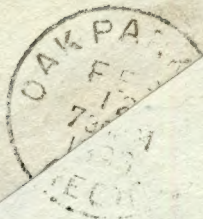
It is a great honor as
the finest soloists in
New York are chosen
for those concerts, I shall
sing on the same program
with Carl Duffell.

The "Apollo" is a male
choir of several hundred
voices. Well, sweetheart,
enough chatter, This is
your valentine, and
ought to be filled with
nothing but love, love, love.

I have read you the record of
the "Kitchener Canadian" with as
good in reading many, but with
much in it that troubles me.

I know you must enjoy, better
than any thing else, a book which
I had just read and marked for
you, as it has then almost the
feeling of a letter. How different
the "last valentines day" with its
happy goodly and true "I had forgotten
- not thought about "Christmas" but an
early one - & stand up and move

for its birth. And
 next "valentines day" will
 bring more changes, than
 this year has wrought
 perhaps - who knows what
 the future has in store
 for us, sometimes I feel like
 clinging to the skirts of the
 present and begging it never
 to leave - Well, darling,
 this is weak, and your
 wife must be a strong
 woman, rich in faith,
 and hope, never fearing, because
 God watches over all, and
 whatever comes, if we are pliable
 to his will, must be for the
 best. and now, how many
 many kisses come with this
 letter and Sunshine's
 arms are around you &
 her head nestled close on
 your breast - My own -
 God bless you - your little woman



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